

Gold Butte Restoration

Before



After



These photos were taken from the main Gold Butte road, approximately 1 mile from Whitney Pockets. AmeriCorps crews carefully raked out tracks and planted shrubs restore the area to natural condition.

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After



This area, north of Whitney Pockets, is in a blackbrush plant community. AmeriCorps crews raked out the tracks created from illegal vehicle use. Afterward, the crews spread rocks and vegetation, which creates microsites where seeds can germinate.

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This disturbance was located north of Whitney Pockets. AmeriCorps crews decommissioned this incursion using dead-and-down vegetation and rocks collected from BLM gravel pits! Rocks and sticks also provide escape habitat for small lizards and insects.

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Whitney Pockets Before



Whitney Pockets After



Heavy camping at Whitney Pockets has resulted in damage to cultural features, vegetation, and fragile soils. AmeriCorps crews raked out tracks and re-established the surface roughness. The result is a more aesthetic look to the surface.